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B CIA Files a Brief In Mind-Control Sult

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The Central Intelligence Agency argues that more harm than good would result from disclosure of the names of university researchers involved in mind-control experiments financed by the agency in the 1950's

and 1960's.

In response to a suit filed last year
by John Cary Sims, a lawyer for
Ralph Nader's Public Citizen Litigation Group, U.S. District Judge

Louis Oberdorfer ordered the C.I.A. to release names of researchers involved in human-behavior-modification projects, known by the code name MK-ULTRA.

Although the C.I.A. released some names of individuals and institutions involved, it appealed the lower-court ruling. In a brief filed this month with

the U. S. Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia, the agency argued that full disclosure could not only damage reputations but "substantially harm" the C.I.A.'s ability to develop intelligence sources.

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